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Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Amended) A method for generating a video image of an object comprising:
generating video data representing video frames for forming the video image of said object;
processing said video data by:
dividing each video frame into a plurality of regions, each region being representative of a portion of
said object;
selecting at least a predetermined one of said plurality of regions of the video frame;
de-emphasising remaining ones of the plurality of regions of the video frame;
recombining said regions of each of said video frames to form a display video image, said
recombining step comprising forming a display video image in which the selected region of the video frame is
sharp or well-defined, and remaining ones of the plurality of regions of the video frame are de-emphasised or
blurred in accordance with the relative distance between the portion of said object in a remaining one of the
plurality of regions respective region of said object and a reference point; and
transmitting video data indicative of said selected at least predetermined one and said remaining
ones of the plurality of regions of said video frames to a receiver having a display for displaying said
display video image prior to said step of recombining the regions of each of said video frames.